

WHEREAS, ACTION and the Small Business Administration, co-sponsors of SCORE, the Service Corps of Retired Executives, have demonstrated to the citizens of this state that the plight of the struggling small business owner can be helped through volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, SCORE volunteers have proven their dedication in providing countless hours of management counseling to small business men and women throughout this state; and

WHEREAS, SCORE has proved its effectiveness in dealing with the critical nationwide problem of small business failure (50% of small businesses fail within their first two years); and

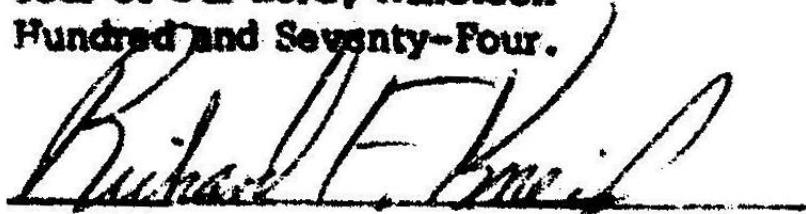
WHEREAS, SCORE chapters throughout the United States are celebrating National SCORE month during August;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the month of August as

SCORE MONTH

in the State of South Dakota and encourage all citizens to join me in saluting this very worthy ACTION/SBA program.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,
I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed the
Great Seal of the State
of South Dakota, in Pierre,
the Capital City, this
22nd day of July, in the
Year of Our Lord, Nineteen
Hundred and Seventy-Four.



RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE